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METHOD FOR PRODUCING PLANTS HAVING AN INCREASED TOLERANCE AGAINST DROUGHT AND/OR FUNGAL ATTACK AND/OR INCREASED SALT CONCENTRATIONS AND/OR EXTREME TEMPERATURE BY THE EXPRESSION OF PLASMODESMATA-LOCALIZED PROTEINS

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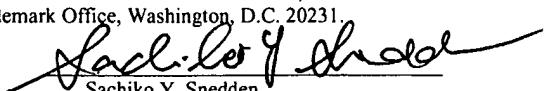
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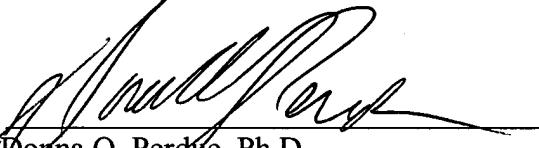
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